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SUBJECT: US-USSR COOPERATION IN TRANSPORTATION: MARINE

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1. REQUEST SCIOFF PASS FOLLOWING REPORT ABOVE SUBJECT TO
LEVTONOV AND MERCHANT MARINE MINISTRY.

2. FOLLOWING U.S. SPECIALISTS MET WITH SOVIET EXPERT
A.G. CHERNOV AND OTHER PALEV SHIP PERSONNEL ON FEBRUARY 3:
THIJS DEHAAS, INSTITUTE FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SCIENCES
DOCUMENTATION; LARRY WOLTERS, MARAD NEW YORKOFFICE;
ANTHONY KIMPL, SYLVANIA ELECTRIC CO.; TWO COAST GUARD
OFFICERS FROM COAST GUARD RADIO STATION, BOSTON. GROUP
REVIEWED THE TEST DATA, MADE MODIFICATIONS IN TEST
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PROCEDURES, AND DISCUSSED POSSIBLE SOVIET POSITION ON

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DURING MARCH 1976 MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL RADIO CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCIR) OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION (ITU). FYI. SOVIETS THOUGHT THAT IMPROVEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE SYSTEM IS ADOPTED. U.S. EXPERTS THINK THAT TIME BEFORE MARCH INSUFFICIENT FOR TECHNICAL IMPROVEMENTS AND SYSTEM SHOULD

BE ADOPTED AT PRESENT STATE-OF-ART AND IMPROVED LATER. GENERAL CONSENSUS OF U.S. SIDE IS THAT, IN SPITE OF GENERALLY SUCCESSFUL TESTS, SOVIETS WILL NOT SUPPORT SYSTEM IN CCIR/ITU MARCH MEETING. END FYI. TESTS ARE TO BE CONTINUED UNTIL ABOUT FEBRUARY 15 WHEN SHIP ARRIVES IN EUROPEAN WATERS. KISSINGER

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